

**NEWBORN AND INFANT SCREENING
WORKGROUP MEETING NOTES**

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Regular text = paraphrased discussion

Italics=Department's response

Bold, italics and indented=rule change

R9-13-201(32)

Can the definition of "Hearing test" be changed to make clear that it includes screening? What about including the observation of behavioral responses to stimuli as a type of test?

The Department plans to change the draft rule as follows:

32. ***"Hearing test" means an evaluation of both ears of a newborn or an infant each of a newborn's or an infant's ears, using audiological equipment, for the presence, type, or degree of hearing loss to:***
- a. Screen the newborn or infant for a possible hearing loss;***
 - b. Determine that the newborn or infant does not have a hearing loss; or***
 - c. Diagnose a hearing loss in the newborn or infant, including, if applicable, determining the type or degree of hearing loss.***

To address the question about behavioral testing, the Department plans to change the draft rule as follows:

- 5-6. ***"Audiological equipment" means instruments an instrument used to help determine the presence, type, or degree of hearing loss by:***
- a. Providing ear-specific and frequency-specific stimuli to an individual; or***
 - b. measure a Measuring an individual's physiological response to stimuli determine the presence, type, or degree of hearing loss.***

R9-13-201(80)

Where is the term "Working day" used?

The term is only used in one place in the rules (see highlight below) – in R9-13-203(A)(4).

4. Submit the specimen collection kit to the ~~screening laboratory~~ Arizona State Laboratory no later than 24 hours or the **next working day** after the blood sample is collected.

R9-13-202

The congenital disorders listed as (1) and (2) will be switched to correctly alphabetize them.

- 1. 3-Hydroxy-3-methylglutaric aciduria,***
- 2. 3-Methylcrotonyl-CoA carboxylase deficiency,***

R9-13-203(A)(3)(i)

Should the newborn's or infant's weight when the blood sample is collected be kept, rather than removed?

The Department plans to change the draft rules to keep the requirement for reporting the newborn's or infant's weight when a blood sample is collected. Based on Program input, the Department will remove the requirement for reporting the method of blood sample collection in R9-13-203(A)(3)(g).

R9-13-205(A)(2)

Should a health care provider verify whether a health care facility collected a second specimen?

The Department plans to change the rule as follows:

2. ***Verify that a health care facility or different health care provider has collected ~~the~~ a second specimen from the newborn or infant.***

R9-13-206

Should reporting requirements for abnormal test results be included in the rules?

The Department does not include internal processes in rules.

R9-13-207

Can subsections (C) and (D) be reworded to retain the reporting of the audiological equipment used for a subsequent hearing test for all subsequent hearing tests and to clarify what information is needed for a diagnostic hearing test?

The Department plans to change the rule as follows:

- C. When a hearing test is performed on a newborn or an infant after an initial hearing test, the designee of the health care facility, health care provider, or other person that performs the subsequent hearing test shall provide to the Department, as specified in subsection (E), the following information:
1. The newborn's or infant's name, date of birth, and gender;
 2. Whether the newborn or infant is from a single or multiple birth;
 3. If the newborn or infant is from a multiple birth, the birth order of the newborn or infant;
 4. The ~~newborn's mother's~~ first and last names and date of birth of the newborn's mother;
 5. ~~The name of the health care facility where the initial hearing test was performed, or the name and address of the health care provider who performed the initial hearing test;~~
 - 6-5. The name of the health care facility of birth;
 6. If the initial hearing test was not performed by the health care facility of birth, either:
 - a. The name of the health care facility where the initial hearing test was performed, or
 - b. The name and telephone number of the health care provider who performed the initial hearing test;
 7. The name, telephone number, and identification code of the person submitting the subsequent hearing test results;
 8. The date of the subsequent hearing test;
 9. ***The audiological equipment used for the subsequent hearing test; and the***
 10. ***The type of hearing test performed;***
 - 10-11. The result, including a quantitative result if applicable, for each of the newborn's or infant's ears on the subsequent hearing test; ~~and~~
 12. ***If the subsequent hearing test was performed by an audiologist or a physician to determine that the newborn or infant does not have a hearing loss or diagnose a hearing loss in the newborn or infant:***
 - a. ***Whether the newborn or infant has a hearing loss and, if so, the type and degree of hearing loss; and***
 - b. ***A copy of the narrative that describes the hearing test performed on the newborn or infant to determine that the newborn or infant does not have a hearing loss or diagnose a hearing loss in the newborn or infant, the results of the hearing test, and the analysis of the hearing test results by the audiologist or physician who performed the hearing test; and***
 - 11-13. The name, address, and ~~phone~~ telephone number of the contact person for the health care facility, health care provider, or other person that performed the subsequent hearing test, if different from the person specified in subsection (C)(7).
- D. In addition to the information in subsection (C), if the reported results of a subsequent hearing test on a newborn or an infant include an abnormal result, the person submitting the report on the subsequent hearing test shall provide to the Department, as specified in subsection (E), the following ~~information~~:
1. Except as provided in subsection (D)(2), the ~~newborn's or infant's mother's mailing address and phone number~~ mailing address and telephone number of the newborn's or infant's mother;
 2. If the newborn's or infant's mother does not have physical custody of the newborn or infant, the first and last names, mailing address, and ~~phone~~ telephone number of the person who has physical custody of the newborn or infant;
 3. The name of the health care provider who is responsible for the coordination of medical services for the newborn or infant; and
 4. If applicable, the name and ~~phone~~ telephone number of the person to whom the newborn's or infant's parent was referred for further hearing tests, evaluation services, specialty care, or early intervention.

R9-13-208

Please provide a copy of the spreadsheet showing the numbers on the basis of which the fee increase was derived. The Program will send the spreadsheet to stakeholders.